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ST. CATHARINES, August 25th 1914
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R. Falconer, Esq.,
President, Toronto University,
Toronto, Ont,

Dear Doctor Falconer:

I have a letter from G.N. Bramfitt, Lt. of the Second Field Company, Corps of Guides, and who is in command of the Cadet Corps of University Schools, stating that he regretted that he was unable to volunteer for foreign service because he has a wife and child dependent upon him, and the Governors of the University have not declared any policy regarding the salaries of any of the staff going on foreign service.

I would suggest that this matter be brought up at the next meeting of the Board and that the most liberal provision for the maintenance of the wives and families of those going on service be made by the Board, and the result be made known to any of the staff who go on foreign service.

Yours sincerely,

RWL.L.



August 27th, 1914

R. M. Leonard, Esq.,

St. Catharines, Ont.

Dear Sir:

President Falconer has been delayed in Europe and sails to-morrow for Montreal from Liverpool. He will return before the next meeting of the Governors, if his ship sails, and if he does not return, I shall hand your letter of August 25th to the Bursar for the Board of Governors.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

September 11th, 1914

Major Leonard,

St. Catharines.

Dear Major Leonard:

On my return from Europe this week I find your letter of August 25th with regard to the case of Mr. Bramfitt. As far as I know he put in no application for leave. Another of the teachers, Mr. Cline, who is an unmarried man, went to the front on orders at once and we have now filled his place temporarily. I am told that the reason Mr. Bramfitt did not go was just because he had a wife and child dependent upon him.

There are over a dozen men who are either at the front or are volunteering. The cases are so very different that the Board will have to deal with them individually, and I am going to try and have a report ready for the meeting which is to be held in a fortnight. The principle that the Board will follow is to make it as easy as possible for those who desire to go to do so and also to do anything in our power to relieve the situation for such of them as have wives and families. This is the attitude that I have taken in speaking to individuals. The Board felt yesterday that it was not in a position to form a complete policy inasmuch as there are so many differences in the various cases. If you could be at the next meeting of the Board I am sure we should appreciate your presence.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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ST. CATHARINES, October 16th 1914.
ONTARIO

Doctor Robert Falconer,
President, Toronto University,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Doctor Falconer:

I herewith enclose a letter of the 15th inst., from Colonel J.S. Campbell of this City, a graduate of Toronto University, protesting through me to the Board of Governors of the University, against the reported utterances of Doctor Platon Reich, Lecturer in German at Trinity College, and attaching to his letter a clipping from the Toronto Star of the 14th inst.

Colonel Campbell's letter needs no explanation, and as a member of the Board of Governors, I heartily endorse his protest so far as the Board of Governors of Toronto University has authority or influence over Trinity College.

If such matters are permitted to continue we will presently have our Universities and the public press discussing matters which should have been discussed months ago, or which should not be discussed until months hence, and much trouble will ensue.

This is not the time for such discussions, and the liberties of any men who are inclined that way should be curtailed.

I will be glad if it should be that I am unable to attend the next meeting of the Board, you will bring this matter to the

attention of the Board for their consideration.

Yours sincerely,

RWL.L.

Richard

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SAYS GERMAN CASE COMPLETE.

Dr. Reich States Converse Argu-
ment in Varsity.

Dr. Platon Reich, lecturer in Ger-
man at Trinity College, who was in
Belgium at the outbreak of the war,
and who fled from his home at the
approach of the Germans, is quoted
in "Varsity" as claiming that Ger-
many has a "complete case" in justi-
fication of war.

"Though the British cause seems
to us perfectly just," he is quoted as
saying, "it must not be forgotten
that upon examination there arises a
complete case for Germany, which
the Germans uphold in all honesty
and sincerity. One of the great rea-
sons for the present wretched affair
is the deep-seated mutual distrust
existing between the peoples of Great
Britain and Germany. This has been
carefully fostered by countless mag-
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last ten years. Another case is the
real belief of the Germans that both
Russia and France have been pre-
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Major R.W. Leonard, C.E.,

ST. CATHARINES, Ont.

My dear Major:

Permit me through you to direct the attention of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto to the enclosed item which appeared in the Toronto Star yesterday. This item reproduces an extract from "Varsity" which quotes Dr. Platon Reich, Lecturer in German at Trinity, as claiming that Germany has "a complete case" in justification of the war.

If "Varsity" correctly quotes the Lecturer it would appear that the Provincial University is harboring an agent of "William, the Blood-stained". The view the Lecturer expresses is exactly that of the subsidized German Press.

If a Professor or Lecturer were to stand up in a German University and say that the Allies have "a complete case" against Germany, he would be shot next morning.

While I do not advocate such extreme measures in this case, I do think that if, after due inquiry by the University Authorities, it be found that "Varsity" correctly quotes this Lecturer, he should be dismissed from all further connection with the University, and be turned over to the Military Authorities for examination.

Respectfully yours,

John S. Campbell

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